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SCDA Introduces New Tool to Assist Farmers with SC Farm Aid Application

SOUTH CAROLINA – The South Carolina Department of Agriculture (SCDA) has launched a new tool on the SCDA website to help farmers who suffered crop loss due to last year's flooding apply for South Carolina Farm Aid grants.

In advance of the application period, farmers can visit a new web page to determine eligibility and find a complete list of necessary documentation that must accompany the application. The application period will open early next month.

Once the applications are available, there will be an online calculator tool to help with determining weighted average annual production history (APH), expected revenue and lost crop sales. Visitors to the web page may also access a list of regional educational workshops that will be offered throughout the state by the Clemson Extension Service and SCDA to help farmers apply for assistance.

“This web page is a ‘one-stop shop’ for farmers who are submitting a Farm Aid application,” said Commissioner Hugh Weathers. “The design is user friendly and comprehensive.”

The web page address is: agriculture.sc.gov/sc-farm-aid/ and can also be accessed from the SCDA homepage. For more information or to be put in contact with a Farm Aid staff member, please contact Megan Heidkamp at 803-734-2210.

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